City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Adora Blue					
Board/Commission Name: Seattle Renters' Commission		Position Title: Member			
	City Council Confirmation required?				
Appointment <i>OR</i> Reappointment	∑ Yes □ No				
Appointing Authority:	Term of Position: *				
City Council	Term begin: 3/1/2024				
Mayor	to				
Other	Term end: 2/28/2026				
	Serving remaining term of a vacant position				
Residential Neighborhood:	Zip Code:	Contact Phone No.:			
Pinehurst	98125				

Background:

Adora Blue is a renter living in Pinehurst. She was raised in a wealthy neighborhood in SoCal, and moved to Seattle in 2014, where she subsequently experienced renting in a large variety of areas and arrangements, from high- to low-income, apartments and houses, and even subletting. She became involved in housing activism in 2020 via Rent Strike 2020 and Covid-19-inspired mutual aid efforts unhoused support in particular - and eventually joined the board of directors of Be:Seattle, a local housing justice nonprofit.

More recently, she started multiple efforts to help other trans people fleeing from persecution in other states move to WA - and Seattle especially - leading to creating a couch network to provide temporary housing to relocating trans folks who often would otherwise end up unhoused. Trans people are an especially housing-insecure population due to the prevalence of losing access to family homes, and the family support that would often allow for career development. It is also the biggest obstacle that makes Seattle a hard place to move to for disadvantaged people. Adora wants to reduce barriers and make Seattle not just safe, but also accessible to trans people, disabled people, and other groups currently being forced to flee their homes due to a regressive government.

Authorizing Signature (original signature):

Appointing Signatory: Mark Solomon Seattle City Councilmember, District 2

Date Signed (appointed):

7/10/2025

*Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not the appointment date.

Adora Blue

Resume for Seattle Renters' Commission

EXPERIENCES

Personal Experience

- Found queer community in 2016 and came out as trans in 2017
- Have been an out and proud trans person since 2017, online and in person make myself visible despite the risk
- Have dealt with the legal and medical processes involved in social and medical transition
- Have spent a lot of time learning about these processes for education purposes

"Transtok"

- Started posting videos in 2021 and became popular within the trans community on tiktok in 2022
- Participated in various "transtok" projects such as the Trains SMP and the transtok calendar
- Released a music video for my original song called "Guess what you're trans"
- Concerned myself heavily with education and science communication. For example, injection tutorials, legislation updates and explainers, and HRT information and updates on related research
- Left my dms open for years and advised hundreds of fans on dealing with gender feels, how to get hrt, voice training, etc

Daybreaks Gay Raves

- Founded and led a group of volunteers, rebranded to Daybreaks in 2024
- Branched out to organizing protests in 2025 ran We Protect Us in April
- We only run explicitly queer events, only book queer artists, and only allow queer vendors (we don't gatekeep though self-identification is plenty)
- We also only run free, all-ages, and more recently masked events (so far), because we have a goal of creating accessible and safe community spaces for queer people, including teenagers
- Have done benefit shows before, and combination protest/raves, did a trans pride event this year

2020 Mutual Aid and Housing Organizing

- Engaged in support of houseless neighbors through mutual aid food, moving help, etc
- Organized housing-themed protests
- Created online spaces for facilitating mutual aid for victims of eviction and houselessness

BLM

- Attended black lives matter protests consistently throughout the second half of 2020
- Became involved in the community. Jail support, community meetings, protecting marchers, daily marches, etc. Was present for the deadly car attack on a protest crowd
- Advocated heavily using what platforms I have to keep people involved
- Was present daily at CHOP and worked hard to connect people and facilitate logistics

Be:Seattle - Renter's rights nonprofit

- Served on board of directors from 2022 to present
- Have been vice president for a year or 2, mostly involves facilitating meetings when president is absent.

SEA TRAIN/TRACTION

- Started a grassroots group for trans relocation assistance, then folded it up into an existing nonprofit
- Helped get the relocation management team at TRACTION off the ground which has now helped dozens of trans people move to safer states (mostly Seattle)

MANTIS (Mutual Aid Network for Trans/Intersex Individuals around Seattle)

- Became involved early on and advised its founder on running in-person and online mutual aid spaces
- Participated in development of a code of conduct and other practices
- Helped moderate the community and enforce and encourage restorative justice

PNW Trans Couch Network

- Started a couch network to provide temporary housing to trans people fleeing persecution across the US
- It serves as a hub to allow various orgs doing relocation assistance to share resources in a secure way
- Involves coordinating between a handful of local orgs with a variety of leadership structures

Community Leadership

- Have acted as a community leader and elder in a variety of capacities over the years
- Create and moderate online spaces, and advocate aggressively for restorative justice and healthy community practices
- Advise my peers on legal and medical processes involved in transition, as well as just being someone to talk to when you are questioning

Seattle Renters' Commission

15 Members: Pursuant to Ordinance 125280, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms

Appointing Authority for SRC Member Positions

- 6 City Council-appointed (Positions 1 through 6)
- 7 Mayor-appointed (Positions 7 through 12 and Position 15)
- 2 Commission-appointed (Positions 13 and 14)

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By	
6	F	4	1.	Member	Liz Fite	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Council	
3	F	3	2.	Member	Julissa Sanchez	3/1/25	2/28/27	2	Council	
6	FT	5	3.	Member	Adora Blue	Adora Blue 3/1/24 2		1	Council	
6	F	2	4.	Member	Kate Rubin	3/1/25	2/28/27	2	Council	
6	F	5	5.	Member	Sally M. Kinney	3/1/24 2/28/26		1	Council	
6	М	4	6.	Member	Allan Francis	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Council	
6	М	3	7.	Member	Sam Wolfson	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Mayor	
6	F	3	8.	Member	Lydia Felty	3/1/25	2/28/27	2	Mayor	
2	F	5	9.	Member	E. Mandisa Subira	3/1/24	2/28/26	1	Mayor	
		2	10.	Member	Kasey Burton	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Mayor	
9	F	3	11.	Member	Angela O'Brien 3/1/24 2/28/26		2/28/26	1	Mayor	
3	М	3	12.	Member	Daniel E. Lugo	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Mayor	
2	М	2	13.	Member	Andrew Ashiofu 3/1/24 2/28/26		1	Commission		
6	F	2	14.	Member	Karen Taylor	3/1/25	2/28/27	1	Commission	
			15.	Get Engaged Member	Agni Bhattacharya	9/1/25	8/31/26	1	Mayor	

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

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	Male	Female	Transgender/ Non-Binary	NB/ O/ U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multi- racial
Mayor	2	3				1	1			1			1
Council	1	5	1				1		1	5			
Other	1	1				1				1			
Total	4	8	1			2	2		1	7			1

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Please Note: Information in this table may not accurately reflect the number of commissioners and/or demographics on the commission due to missing information and multiple selections.

Key:

- ***D** List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)
- **G List gender, M= Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, NB= Non-Binary O= Other U= Unknown

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RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.